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LETTER OF SUPPORT

The San Bernardino County Office of the Superior Court supports the efforts of the County of San Bernardino Department of Aging and Adult Services (DAAS) in their application to Phase II of the Archstone Foundation Elder Abuse and Neglect Initiative, joining in efforts to improve the quality and coordination of elder abuse and neglect services in California.

This office has participated in local efforts with DAAS to maintain effective elder abuse-related multidisciplinary team activities. We recognize the contribution made by DAAS in their ongoing collaboration with multiple San Bernardino County agencies including the Public Guardian, law enforcement, Arrowhead Regional Medical Center and a host of other agencies who have joined together in multidisciplinary team's activities in an effort to protect dependent adults and elders with suspected abuse.

We will make every effort to collaborate with this project through our participation in the intended activities of this project, including active participation in the Project goal of developing better procedures for inter-agency collaboration in efforts to identify and reduce instances of elder abuse in San Bernardino County, and assuring the efficiency and effectiveness of protective actions undertaken to ensure safety of elders in jeopardy. We shall participate in multidisciplinary team efforts to identify and ameliorate local barriers to the resolution of self neglect and other forms of abuse. We are committed to active participation in Project activities such as the Project coordinating committee, and special multidisciplinary team meetings.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Larry W. Allen".

Larry W. Allen
Presiding Judge

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